

SUMMARY

The Agency established a working relationship with the Bureau of Federal Supply (now GSA) in 1947. Over the years, GSA has been very supportive of the Agency and their contribution has been instrumental in the Agency's ability to meet its worldwide commitments. In addition to the materiel support customarily provided by GSA to all Federal agencies, [REDACTED] a small purchases branch and for a limited number of personnel assigned to these units. They also purchase materiel and vehicles for the Agency in the name of GSA. [REDACTED]

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The Supply Division has extensive contacts in various elements of the National Capital Region, Regional Federal Supply Service, and the Automotive and Tools Center. [REDACTED]

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COVER ARRANGEMENTS

During the period 1952 through 1975, GSA provided [REDACTED]

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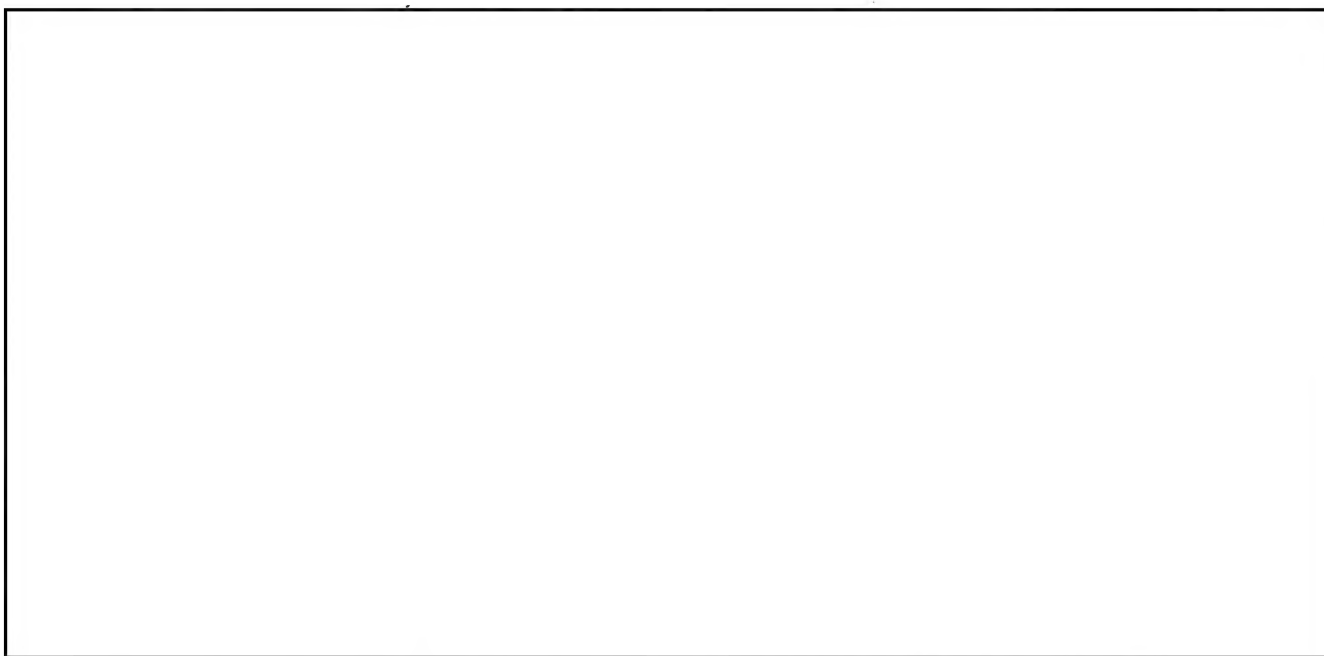
Purchases Branch is a quick reaction activity that purchases low dollar value items in the name of GSA. Their customers are primarily overseas activities. During FY 79, SPB processed 15,020 line items representing a dollar value of \$1,541,258. This activity has operated for a number

25X1 of years without difficulty and was reviewed by Agency and GSA lawyers in July 1979. [REDACTED]

ACQUISITION OF MATERIEL THROUGH FEDSTRIP

The Agency has enjoyed an excellent relationship with GSA over the years. However, the current restriction on furniture procurement has increased our paper flow and decreased our ability to meet customer requirements even though we are in full compliance with the FPMR's. (See attached memorandums) During FY 79, we obtained 2944 line items valued at \$1,942,818 from GSA through FEDSTRIP (Stock). (U)

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This was an excellent source of materiel until 1978 when the GSA investigation resulted in the issuance of very restrictive procurement policies. Those problems have now been resolved and we again receive excellent support. During FY 79, we processed 324 line items [REDACTED]

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VEHICLE ACQUISITION

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Generally, vehicle procurement requires a long lead time and it is not uncommon for vehicles to be on order for a year or more. In many cases, the Agency does a poor job of forecasting requirements and as a result, we submit our requirements in September. Normal delivery time for sedans is 240 to 330 days from final date of consolidation; however, we have been working with GSA in an effort to reduce delivery times. We currently enjoy an excellent working relationship with the automotive center.

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SELF SERVICE STORES

Self Services Store procedures have been tightened over the past 18 months to the extent that it is very time consuming. In addition, there has been a large reduction in the availability of items to the extent that the Small Purchases Branch has reduced their use of the Self Service Store by 50%. The Self Service Store was one of the major concerns during the investigation of GSA and it is reasonable to assume that control procedures will ease up once GSA rebuilds its confidence in the system. (U)